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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the above-identified patent application.

Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the patent references. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

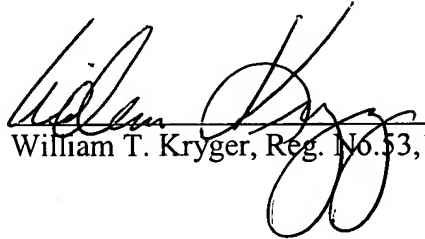
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